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The last two paragraphs of the statement by Colombia should be replaced by the following:

> With regard to the contents of the Convention, my delegation wishes to refer to article 24 in the Spanish version and recommends that the Secretariat verify the translation of subparagraph (b) of paragraph 2 of that article in order to ensure that the text contained therein precisely reflects the scope of the original text in English and of versions of the Convention in other languages that we have had an opportunity to review. Colombia understands the scope of that article as an obligation upon the State to provide persons with disabilities with primary and secondary education on an equal basis with the rest of the population.
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> Similarly, article 25, on health, establishes several norms whereby, in addition to the specific services required because of a person's disabilities, States shall guarantee persons with disabilities the same free or affordable general health care as provided to other persons, without discrimination and on an equal basis. The cost-free nature of services will depend on the availability of the State's fiscal resources.
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> With today's historic decision, we have taken a fundamental step towards significant progress in the changes necessary to ensuring that persons with disabilities may fully exercise their fundamental freedoms and human rights, enjoy respect for their dignity, and contribute to and fully participate in the advances of society on a fully equal footing with other persons. My country welcomes the resolve that led to the adoption of the resolution whereby the General Assembly has adopted the Convention.

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